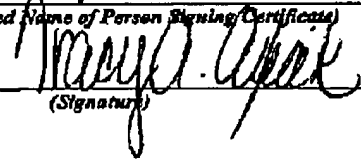


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. §121

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 28, 2005. The Examiner contends that:

Group I, Claims 1-12 and 19-21, drawn to a nickel alloy product, classified in Class 420, subclass 446.

Group II, Claims 13-15, drawn to a process of casting a nickel alloy, classified in Class 164, subclass 1.

Group III, Claims 16-18, drawn to a process of casting a nickel alloy in combination with a process of heat treating a nickel alloy, classified in class 148, subclass 555.

Pursuant to MPEP §§806.05(f), 806.05(c), 809.02(a), 808.01, 37 CFR 1.141, 37 CFR 1.48(b), 37 CFR 1.17(i), 35 U.S.C. §121, and 35 U.S.C. §103(a) the Examiner requires restriction between Groups I, II, and III.

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Accordingly, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §121, Applicants hereby elect to prosecute Group I, with traverse. This election is being made without prejudice to Applicants' rights with respect to Claims 13-15 of Group II or Claims 16-18 of Group III, including the right to file divisional application(s) thereon.

If there are any charges with respect to this Restriction Requirement, or otherwise, please charge them to Deposit Account No. 07-0868.

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